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ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1925

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FRESHMEN-JUNIORS PLAY VALENTINE

With the lettering and packing all over, Mr. Sealy and his men with the college truck hurried the cabinets to the express office. All the cabinet making and shipping was under the constant supervision of Mr. W. T. Clawson, superintendent of the buildings.

And so the libraries went out to the teachers of the State, freighted with the interest and affection of the whole college—the president, associates, workers, students—all.

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heart of Youth." Alice Allen as a girl and Catherine Hicks as a boy posed as though dancing while the pianist played softly, "Let Me Call You Sweetheart." The next was the "Understanding Hearts That Are Pledged," Alice Allen and Mildred Newman enacted a betrothal scene to the tender strains of "I Love You Truly." The next heart was the "Golden Heart of Marriage." The handsome groom—Ruby Strawhorn—and his beautifully dressed bride—Silvia Cozy—entered to strains of

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he is known at Upsala as a "recon-
tor" and at Lund as a "novis," after
which he may be a "junior" during
all the rest of his years at the uni-
versity, unless he is lucky enough

There are no commencement exercises except for those who are receiving the degree of doctor of philosophy.

may be quite charming and unique, showing its author at his best. Work on it has begun and the Seniors hope that the faculty and student body will enjoy their presentation of it.

Saturday night. A delightful banquet was served in Bancroft Annex. The room was lovely in Valentine decorations.

The new members of the S. D. Y. Club entertained the other members at an elaborate Valentine party at the Periwinkle Tea Room Friday night.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1925

THE STUDY CENTER COM-
MENDED

Gratifying commendations of the Winthrop Study Center idea continue to come in. The Study Center Movement, now well established, is one of the most effective ways in which Winthrop's multifarious service program is being applied over the state. Below are a few commendations from high sources:

From the Veterans: "Congratulations on the Study Center Movement!"

From A. E. Winship, Editor, Journal of Education, Boston. From Branson, of North Carolina: "I am reading the Study Center Bulletin with great pleasure and interest. I am also passing it on to Mr. C. D. Snell, director of our own extension division. He will have to live up to it. I am sure he will. E. C. Branson, head of the department of rural social economics, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

From Shelby, of Texas: "The Study Center in South Carolina is certainly a very interesting enterprise. I shall read the Bulletin with a great deal of interest." T. H. Shelby, director of extension, the University of Texas, Austin.

From Richardson, of California: "Many thanks for the Study Center Bulletin. The officers of the University of California are much interested in the work South Carolina is doing. I am glad to know that the plans are working out so well. L. L. Richardson, director extension division, University of California, Berkeley.

WASHINGTON'S DAY. Monday of next week we will pause in our work to celebrate the birthday of the first president of our country. In view of the fact that this day is a holiday, let us not forget the real reason for its celebration. We are apt to take our holidays as a matter of course and forget that they are milestones in our national or religious life, marking the progress of certain ideas.

Washington's birthday is celebrated during his life time and he had the satisfaction of receiving the congratulations of his fellow citizens. After the Revolution Washington's birthday took the place of the birthday of the various crowned heads of Great Britain, which had always been celebrated with enthusiasm during colonial times. When independence was established, these royal birthdays were cast aside and the birthday of Washington naturally became one of the most widely celebrated days of American holidays.

The first celebration was in Virginia in 1782, "with utmost demonstrations of joy." Songs were written for the occasion, toasts were drunk and it was agreed that the celebration of Washington's birthday should be held every year. From this time on the celebration of the day multiplied, so that they soon became general. Balls and banquets were the chief functions of the day and there was hardly a town so small that it could not have at least one of these.

Today Washington's birthday is a legal holiday in every state in the union. But besides the setting aside of the day in formal fashion we run the risk of losing sight of its especial meaning. We have our school exercises, but very little else in the way of program or celebration to call the day to mind. Even our parties do not give us a correct idea of Washington the man. We usually have as favors a hatchet or some cherries, recalling the story told of his boyhood escapade. The story is said by historians not to be true at all. Surely we have many other things by which to remember the Father of our country. Let us not forget what we owe to Washington. Let us not make him a name or merely an excuse for a holiday. Let us remember him as a real man, one of the greatest known to history.

C. P.

LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
ESTABLISHES FELLOWSHIP

The establishment of a 1925-1926 fellowship for "the study of the American Indian problem, the successive policies of the Government and the contemporary administration of Indian affairs" was announced today by the National League of Women Voters. Arrangements for the fellowship have been made with Robert Brookings Graduate School of Economics and Government in Washington, D. C.

The amount of the fellowship is \$1,000, which covers for one year the cost of books and board, and all the facilities of the Robert Brookings Graduate School. If the candidate's work proves satisfactory during the first year, the Brookings School agrees to renew the fellowship for a second year, at the end of which time the candidate will be expected to qualify for and receive the degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

The fellowship is open to women graduates of approved colleges and universities who have had the equivalent of a full year of graduate work in economics and government. A background of study in the political and social sciences is highly desirable, the League announces.

The establishment of the fellowship is one of the interest developments in the administration of Indian affairs, the study of which by a special committee was authorized at the League's 1921 convention. A preliminary survey made by the League's Department of Efficiency in Government revealed at once the dearth of authentic material on the general Indian problem, and the fellowship plan was arranged as a means of promoting the intensive research necessary for an adequate background of study for the administration of Indian affairs.

Application for membership should be made to the National League of Women Voters. The first meeting will be held May 1 upon a prepared for the purpose. For copies of the general announcement of the Robert Brookings Graduate School, application blanks and further information communications should be addressed to the National League of Women Voters, 532 E. Twentieth Street, Washington, D. C.

PRAYER.

"Oh, God," I prayed in the dawn,
My heart afloat with spring.
"But give me just today
A song to sing;
One song of all thy gladdens,
One song the world may hear."

Give me an ear to listen,
Across the morning air.

"Then, God," I prayed in the still-
ness,
"But make me humble, low,
Open my longing heart to Thee,
That song may inward flow.
Give me an ear to listen,
Though lips be dumb and still!"

And there floated the song of a
mocking-bird.

—Lillie Hall.

FRESHMEN-JUNIORS
PLAY VALENTINE

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the "Brith Chorus" from "Lohengrin" and knelt before the audience. The next heart was the "Heart of Hearts."

After a sweet in a lavender negligee, entered on one side with a tiny babe upon a pillow in her arms. Alarmed by the husband, entered on the opposite side and looking at the child together, they kissed and walked slowly away. This was the sweet tones of "Mighty Lak' 'Em." The last heart was the "Silver Heart of Old Age."

Marion Turner, as a very old lady with her knitting, entered on one side, while at the same time Ruby Strawhorn, as bent old man, entered on the opposite side. After singing contentedly and understandingly into each other's eyes they slowly left the stage. Polly ended the "Romance" by telling how, through all these years, Clara Baldwin remained true to them.

After this tableau, Clara Baldwin entertained the audience with a reading. Sue Perry then gave several very lovely fancy dances. For the rest of the time the Freshmen and Juniors enjoyed dancing to music rendered by Mary Goodson, singing only once, when the Juniors sang an answering song to the Freshmen:

"Valentine's Day, Cupid gives 'way
Somebody's heart.
We saved for you our heart true,
Free from his dart.
Although your party's done, our
hearts are one
And nothing will e'er make them
part.

We love to play, we want to stay,
Sisters, we love to play.
Through all the year, you've grown
more dear,
Truest of true.

Your heart will be a sweet memory
In the heart that we gave to you."

—Best Surprise.

He-Then it is settled; we are to
elate at midnight?
She-Yes, darling.
He-Then you are sure you can get
your trunk packed in time.
She-Oh, yes! Papa and mamma
both have promised to help me!

A Bowling Alley Dream

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Y.W.C.A. NEWS COLUMN

Edited by Frances Earle.

Miss Carnes Speaks at Y. W. C. A. Miss Carnes, a speaker for the
Woman's Christian Temperance
Union, spoke at the Y. W. C. A. ser-
vice on Wednesday evening. Miss
Carnes talked of the enemies of hu-
man progress, war and liquor traffic,
she brought out the horrors of both
evils in the number of lives which
are uselessly sacrificed because of
them, 8,000,000 men dying in the
World War, and 200,000 annually
because of alcoholism. She said,
however, that there were two great
forces working against these evils,
which are accomplishing results,
even though slowly. These are pro-
hibition and education. Christian-
ity is the most constructive substi-
tute for war.

The assertion is made that men can
accomplish extraordinary deeds un-
der the influence of drink, but this
is not in spite of and not because of
drink, but these great things are
done, Miss Carnes illustrated the
way in which the cross of Jesus
should be an inspiration to the peo-
ple of the United States by telling
of the cross which stands out and
above the business district of Chi-
cago at the Methodist Temple as a
symbol of Christianity.

The finance committee held the
second pay day on Tuesday and
Wednesday. At this time the remain-
der of the Y. W. C. A. pledges
were paid.

All members of the cabinet are
busily preparing their yearly re-
ports to be handed in so that the in-
coming members will have some-
thing upon which to base their new
work.

From the results of the Freshman
English exam this must be the kind
of a letter the average Freshman
writes home:

Dear Dad:
Just a line.
Weather here bad.
Feelin' fine.
Vaccination
Taken big.
No vacation.
Always dig.
Teacher cross.
Can never rest.
Always givin'
Us a led.
Chapel's had.
Church's worse.
For Lil, I had
To let her versio
Won a game
Big bonfire.
Food's the same
Must retire.
Work's hard
Most a wreck.
Money's gone
Send a check.
My get out-
Hoped the "Vic"
Will let me rest.
With love,
Dad.

(Archie Fishel in Wooner Voice)

Very calmly, old Grandma Bow-
ling Pin, with the aid of her son, set
up the wooden Professors, in a little
clubhouse of the alley, took
up a monstrous black-speckled
ball, with elbows stiff, backs bent
and knees just so, aimed at the mid-
dle of the target.

One, two, three! Our mildest-of-
all professors turned over, yawned,
rubbed his eyes, and remarked that
"that's the way things go."

Then, "By the way, I told you,
that bowling is interesting. Why do
they spell it h-o-w-l? I'll have
to let you up on that derivation." Again
he yawned, turned over, and went
back to sleep.

But he didn't get on the bowling
lane.
LILLIE HALL.

SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED.

Gloucester Dramatic School to Give
Awards; Prizes Open All.
The Gloucester School of the Little
Theatre, Gloucester, Massachusetts,
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mental theatre where weekly per-
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mime, Acting, Stage Direction,
Lighting, Scenery and Playwriting.

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last summer were: The Book of Job;
Gammer Gurton's Needle; Fleurette
and Co.; Essex Lane; Before Break-
fast; Eugene O'Neill; The Haidue;
Colin Clements; Two Slatters and
a King; Edna Millie; Fame and the
Poor; The Damsel; The Man Who
Married a Dumb Wife; Anatole
France; and The Two Virtues; Alfred
Sutro.

The faculty will include: Mrs.
Florence Evans of the Boston School
of Public Speaking; Miss Florence
Cunningham of the Theatre Colum-
bia; Paris; Mile. Mellow; the De-
croze Institute, Geneva; Mr. Robert
Henderson of the University of
Michigan; Mr. Colin Clements of
the Portmanteau Theatre and au-
thor of Plays for a Folding Theatre
and Plays for Pansies.

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W. O. WRIGHT

STUDENT LIFE AT SWEDISH UNIVERSITIES

(Continued from page one)

oscopy, but the doctoral "promotions" are unique and thrilling. Those who are working toward this degree must prepare and publish an original dissertation, usually an elaboration of their "licentiate" thesis. According to old tradition this dissertation must be "lung" in the lobby of the main university building, where all who are curious may examine it. The author, then, is 27 or 28 years of age, must defend his book publicly, against a searching examination by a faculty opponent. There is also a "second opponent" whom the author has himself chosen from among the graduate students. His examination is less severe and usually gives the defender more opportunity to display his knowledge. But everyone in the audience is eager for the examination by the "third opponent," who is a student. He is the fun maker of the occasion, and indulges his wit and humor in turning the whole previous proceeding into a laughable farce.

Early in May comes the festive promotion ceremony. Relatives and friends of the "promovendus" assemble from far and near. The students all wearing their white caps, march in a body to the university auditorium, where a battery of artillery takes position outside. The "promovendus" is, in the university president and the university officials, are present. The official "promovendus" makes a speech in Latin. This dignitary then calls each new doctor up separately and places a laurel wreath upon his brow, and at the very instant a gun is fired. The flourishes are played by the orchestra. The doctor receives a large parchment diploma. The rest of the day is given to feasting, with the new doctors conspicuous as they stroll about the town, continuing to wear their laurel wreaths. They provide themselves with gold rings emblematic of their degree and in time they frame the diploma together with the laurel wreath. No degree or title acquired in a foreign land is more highly prized than the one which has been conferred on this memorable day at the university.

Aside from lectures and examinations, the most conspicuous feature of the student life is the singing. Swedes are naturally fond of music, and among them have been developed some of the greatest singers of the world. Witness Jenny Lind and Christine Nilsson, not to mention some of the prima donnas of the Metropolitan Opera of today. Any one who was fortunate enough to hear the male chorale of Lund students on their American tour in 1901, which included Yale, can testify to a memorable musical event. At Upsala there are several limited singing societies and one general society, which is open to all. The general society meets once a week for practice, and, after the rehearsal indoors, it is the invariable custom for the singers to assemble on the town market place and give a concert to the public. A curious and pleasant feature of this performance is the part of an old clock in order to listen to the silver-toned singing of Queen Christina's Bell. This bell, presented by Queen Christina, the famous daughter of Gustavus Adolphus, has been ringing for centuries every morning at 6 and every evening at 8, and its music notes evoke untold associations of days gone by.

From the ranks of the General Singing Society are recruited the best singers for the "Orpheus Dramas" (Servants of Orpheus) familiarly known as "O.D." The "O.D." has made frequent concert tours to most of the European capitals and has carried off many prizes from singing contests. These fine traditions and high ideals naturally influence the daily life of the students. Songs are always in order, wherever two or more are assembled, and whether the occasion be gay or grave. In "nation's house," restaurant, home or out upon the street one may almost at any time hear the bright melodious voices of eager youth. Often of a calm spring night one may hear the sweet strains of a quartet—which is serenading some young lady, who comes in a window to acknowledge the fine tribute arranged for her by her sweetheart, perhaps himself among the singers.

The greatest student festival comes on April 30 and May 1. According to Nordic popular belief of old, and ascribed to the contrary notwithstanding, this time marks the return of the sun and the dispersion of the legions of winter. No gloom can be too great over such a fortunate event. In the evening of April 30 the students march up to the Castle Hill, singing as they go. "Now winter's wrath is over 'mong our hills." Now the majestic old governor's castle they group and sing with vibrant voices their famous song to the return of spring. Not infrequently this sentiment is called into question by late flurries of snow, but the singing goes on just the same. Looking out across the country one may see hundreds of May Day fires and the whole setting and celebration somehow awakens feelings that are almost memories of the spars days when the northern gods stalked about on this very hill. At noon the next day students drive the town's police to cover and take possession of the

streets. Confetti is showered upon old and young. Passing girls, at least the pretty ones, are sometimes embraced with or without provocation. White "student caps," the emblem of freedom, now appear for the first time during the year, and, incidentally, will not be discarded for any other headgear until October.

Later in May comes the carnival and ball, which corresponds generally to American "proms." This is the greatest social event of the year, though there are other, less pretentious dances given by the "nations." Both Upsala and Lund are co-educational, and while women are still in the minority, and the university life is really dominated by the men.

There are no secret societies at Swedish universities and few other societies except those that have already been named. There is a dramatic society, although occasionally a farce is written and staged by the students. There are no intercollegiate debates or oratorical contests, yet the literary society "Vermland" has schooled many of Sweden's greatest statesmen. Physical culture consists of gymnastics, fencing and swimming track athletics, soccer and other sports. Those things are now pursued with enthusiasm, but not so much as to encroach on the time devoted to intellectual development.

In view of the fact that personal freedom is a time-honored prerogative at Upsala or Lund, it is not surprising to relate that this system does not work less successfully there than it does, for example, among members of Congress or in any other body of men who have a common work. The situation is simply that young Swedes are not treated as schoolboys after they enter the university. They are convivial, as all students are, except that the conviviality is open and usually aboveboard. In other matters of conduct, one can hardly be said to differ from students in America or England.

There are no "town and gown" distinctions in Swedish university towns, but the students have a particularly strong aversion to those men of wealth who try to make of wealth a social asset. To the man who has once worn the "white cap" there can be no aristocracy except that of knowledge and good taste.

In closing a word might be added about the administration of Upsala and Lund universities. These institutions have long been heavily endowed by royal grants of income-producing estates. They are managed under the Ecclesiastical Department of the government, which makes any necessary appropriations for the running of the schools. Hence the presidents of these universities do not have to spend their time securing the country in search of donations and bequests. The president, or rector, as he is called, is elected every three years by the university faculty itself, and is always one of their own number. He is really only the chairman of the combined department or faculties. Upsala has no college yell, nor has Lund, but the festal song written and set to music by a Swedish priest, and sung on all occasions, epitomizes the true expression of the Swedish college spirit in the first two lines:

"Sing the happy life of the student! Let us rejoice in the springtime of youth."

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True of the Weaker Sex—Stocks cover a multitude of sins.

Here and There

The ministry of education of China is opposing the sending of Chinese students to American universities, saying that American college courses are inefficient and degrees are obtained too easily. What do you know about that?—Semi-Weekly Campus.

An intercollegiate debate between the University of Hawaii and Oxford is to take place in Honolulu one time in January next. The debate will deal with the question of leading American colleges and will visit Hawaii before proceeding to Australia, where they will engage the island continent's best debaters.—New Student.

Some Yale women started a snowball fight to divert their minds from the mid-year examinations. It started on the evening of January 26. The next morning it broke out again and the snowball warfare was not lifted until all windows in all the Freshmen dormitories were broken. University authorities could not view the incident in any other light than as "the most unwarranted bit of vandalism that has ever been effected by members of the student body."

Oglethorpe University is considering the adoption of the student honor system. This plan has been proposed several times, but each time it was voted down.

The radio has been put to a novel use at the University of Chicago, where it is employed in an effort to keep the alumni in touch with latest developments on the campus.

Among all the definitions ever given for an optimist, we deem the following the most apt: An optimist is a person who works cross puzzles in ink.

Lafayette College has chosen the board as its mascot. A skin has been ordered and is to be worn by some unfortunate Freshman at all of the games played on the home field.—Hinge-in-Phil.

The University of Ohio has a Chinese Club under the direction of Cheng Me Sun, a graduate student of Shantung.—Exchange.

All athletic relations between Washburn College, Indiana, and the Paup University will be broken as a result of the indictment of 20 Washburn students for malicious trespass in connection with the sneaking of red paint on some of the university buildings at the Paup University.—Exchange.

P. D. X. Club Has Valentine Party. The new members of the P. D. X. Club entertained the rest of the club at a lovely Valentine party at the Periwinkle Tea Room on Saturday night.

EXTENSION DIVISION SENDS OUT LIBRARIES

(Continued from page one)

The books reached the study centers on last Friday or Saturday night. When Miss Gerdine left Chester only one book was left in the cabinet. Miss Wall, the librarian at Chester, writes that the demand was two or three times greater than the supply. At Winthrop when Prof. Maggins left only three books remained. At Spartanburg when Prof. Terrell left there were only a few. We have not heard from the other centers.—The Study Center News.

PERSONAL

Edna Jordan returned Wednesday from the Baptist convention, which was held in Harrisville.

Ruth Willard was a visitor in Davidson last week-end.

Melba Johnston and Judith visited in Charlotte last week-end.

Oliver Brown and Mildred Carmichael visited in York last week-end.

Minnie Lee Phillips spent the week-end at her home in Fort Mill.

Luey Atkinson went to her home in Columbia last week-end.

Cecile Baker was a visitor at Davidson.

Jane Baldwin spent the week-end at her home in Gresham.

Frances Stewart and Nancy Tyree were in Charlotte last week-end.

Ethel Mung visited at her home in Winthrop.

Theopha Norman was at her home in Union.

Nancy Paine visited in Union.

Elizabeth Loft was a visitor in Glover.

Helen Nicholson visited in Columbia last week-end.

FATHER'S ADVICE

My dad and I, long years ago, were walking down the street.

When suddenly a little dog came yelping round our feet:

He snapped and snarled so viciously—what angry little pup!

Appeared to me, as though he thought that he could eat us up;

I turned and threw some stones at him, which always missed the mark,

But when I tried to drive him off the holder he would bark.

"Now, son," my father said to me, "just plod along your way;

Don't turn your head for yelping dogs, remember what I say;

You'll notice if you pay no heed to him and hold your peace,

That little dog will soon grow tired and all his noise will cease;

But every time you stamp your foot and shout to him: 'Begone,'

You show that he's annoying you and keep him following on.

"It takes a dog to right a dog, just that about your shuff,

When canines come and snarl at you, don't let a dog yourself,

And later, when you're older grown, and pelted men attack,

Don't stoop to pick up stones to throw, don't try to answer back;

Just walk right on and pay no heed to any thing they say

And very soon they'll give it up and turn and run away.

"It is a very ancient dodge these petty minds employ,

They say the gods first angry make the man they would destroy,

And little dogs and little men who snarl behind your back

Will only snarl the louder if you answer their attack;

And they'll have done the very thing they started out to do,

If, being yellow dogs themselves, they make one out of you."

—Exchange.

Boy, Page Addison Slus.

Lawyer—Have you been married before if so, to whom?

Move Star—Say, what is this; a memory test?

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HIGHER CRITICISM

IN THE YEAR 2025

(By W. R. Coppedge, Rockingham, N. C., in Presbyterian Standard.)

It is a remarkable fact that there are still some people that have enjoyed the best educational advantages who persist in believing that George Washington was a really historic character. It is not difficult, however, to show the absolute absurdity of such a theory.

The word "Washington" is the symbol of a virtue to which the early white inhabitants of North America gave great prominence in theory, though they seem not to have practiced to any very great extent the virtue of which the word was symbolized. The virtue that word symbolized was Truth.

The etymology of the word Washington suggests cleanliness, and it is easy to see how the meaning could pass from physical or personal to moral cleanliness.

But some think that the Christian name George is an evidence that Washington was a real, historical person. Of course, those who first advocated his real existence would be just as a Christian name and one that was appropriate. What name could be more appropriate than George? One of the greatest nations of the world, and the one with which America in those times was not most closely connected, was for more than a century ruled by kings, each of whom was called George, just as the kings of Egypt were called Pharaoh. George Washington meant Washington the ruler. But it is argued in favor of his real existence that he married, and that the name of the woman is known, Mrs. Martha Custis.

It is easy to show that in all probability the story of this marriage was an allegory to symbolize the union of Truth and Justice. Of course, Justice would be represented by someone of great dignity, and who could be more suitable than a matron, Mrs. Justice? In old English J and G were sometimes alike in sound, and were likely to be used one for the other. We have only to suppose that by someone's mistake Justice was written Custis, and that as C and G were almost identical in appearance Justice became Custis. The change from "ice" to "ice" in the last syllable was perfectly natural, as there is no difference in sound.

The fact that the mythical Mrs. Custis had a Christian name does not afford any difficulty. Of course, a Christian name for her would be desirable, and one united to the high position accorded her. Martha signifies lady. Writers often referred to her as Lady Washington.

The above theory is so probably correct as almost to prove that no such person as George Washington ever existed. But the following inconsistencies in the history of the times in which he is supposed to have lived prove beyond all doubt that the story of his existence is a myth.

1. Washington is referred to in some places as being of pure English stock and of a family of considerable wealth and influence.
2. Washington is referred to as being so destitute that he had to make his living by working as a surveyor.
3. Washington is referred to as a negro or mulatto. There is a story of an attempt to boycott a popular hotel at a town called Hantel, because Washington and his suite were allowed to be served at one of the tables that were supposed to be for the exclusive use of white people.

Some suppose that there were two men in public life named Washington and base their opinion upon the fact that at the many educational institutions with which the name was associated there were supposedly two that attained national importance—one said to have been in Lexington, Va., the other at Tuskegee, Ala. To the former it is said the so-called George Washington donated a block of canal stock, after which it was called Washington College, and still later, Washington and Lee University. The other school is said to have been established by Booker Washington. We have only to suppose that these two institutions were one and the same. College training in those days was often

spoken of as book-learning. What more likely than that the reputed liberal donor to a college should, from that very fact, be called Book-er? Note, too, the fact that the words Lexington and Tuskegee are not so unlike as might appear on a hurried examination. Yes, the abbreviation for Virginia, is in appearance like Ala., the abbreviation for Alabama inverted, that there need be no surprise that at some time one should be taken for the other. Thus we can reasonably identify the two Washington schools, and so, too, the two fictitious Washingtons, George and Booker were not two men, even in fiction.

The probability that Washington was a mythical character having been shown, attention is now to be directed to the glaring inconsistencies and contradictions in his so-called history.

Washington is represented as being a bearer of messages from post to post, enduring such hardships as would not have fallen to the lot of a man of great eminence.

Washington is represented as being a farmer in a time that the lack of machinery rendered farming an unattractive and unprofitable employment.

Washington is represented as being a major in the British army, conducting a retreat from the victorious French.

Washington is represented as being the commander-in-chief of the American armies, warring against the British, with the French as allies.

Washington is represented as being the chief executive of a great republic.

Washington is represented as being so truthful that he would not save himself from a prospective flogging by telling a lie. This is enough of itself to show that the boy Washington was a myth.

Washington is represented as declining the presidency of a great nation, a thing as improbable in America as that a boy would decline to save himself from a flogging by telling a lie.

Washington is represented as being a city on the Potomac River, threatened, but never taken, by the Confederate armies in the great American Civil War.

Washington is represented as a vast region bordering on the Pacific Ocean in the northwestern part of the United States.

Is it not amazing that in the face of all of these contradictions in the history some people of culture should cling to the theory that Washington was a man?

YEARS.

The years are not lost.
They stand whispering.
They tell each other secrets
And remember everything.

Today is a mist
Between us and the past.
Strange, how we forget
What we thought would last!

Strange, how the edge dulls
On our old pain.
And we go quietly
On old ways again!

Something stirs now and then,
When an old year calls,
And we try to look back
Through the high, gray walls.

The years are not so far
As they seem to be.
At times I think they press
Close about me.

And one says "I loved,"
And one says "I lost."
And one, "I would not pay the price,"
And one, "I count the cost."

The years come together,
A close company,
Only the New Year
Comes alone to me.

The New Year comes and hides
The years that came before,
But I hear them whispering
And crowding at my door.

I hear them whispering
Of what used to be.
They are very kind, I think,
And wish to comfort me.
—Louise Driscoll, in New York Times.

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"See that Freshman over there?"
"Yeah; what about him?"
"He's got such a hot line that when he writes to his girl he uses asbestos envelopes."

Prof.: "I take great pleasure in giving you 81 in math."
Stude: "Aw make it a hundred and enjoy yourself."

Nursery rhyme, a la cross-word puzzle:
Hickory, dickory, basin for ships,
space for an accused person in court.

The small rodent quadruped in five letters ran up the instrument for measuring time, figured work on the side of the stocking.

The clock synonym for impressed one.
The mouse ran in a descending direction.

An American nut-bearing tree, dickory dock.

She: "How do I look?"
He: "Sweet enough to kiss."
She: "Aw—go on!"

He: "I don't think the town girls do much kissing."

She: "Why, you would be surprised to know how much goes on right under my nose."

First Convict: Are you in i'r life?
Second Convict: Not me—just from now on.

Prof.: Why do you sit there and scratch your head?
She: I am the only one that knows where it itches.

Miss Talbot: Name six important bones of the body.
Freshman: Right arm, right leg, left arm, left leg, and two ribs.

She: Did you know they could make shoes out of all kinds of skins?
He: Whatabout banana skins?
She: They make slippers out of them.

Possibly the reason college men part their hair in the middle is because every block has an alley.—Sun Forum.

There was a young man named Mose
Who was one of his girl's best foes.
At a party of her mamma's
He went in his pajamas,
Because they said, "Wear evening clothes."
—Sun Dangler.

If the pedestrian race is to survive, some means will have to be found to provide them with spare parts.—The Record.

She was peeved and called him Mr. Not because he went and Kr. But what made her sore

Was the night before
This same Mr. Kr. Sr.

Stout Lady: "Can you tell me if I can go through this gate to the park?"

Little Boy: "I guess so; a wagon load of hay just went through."

Judge: "Are you married?"

Prisoner: "Yes, sir."

Judge: "To whom?"

Prisoner: "A woman, sir."

Judge: "Of course it was a woman! Did you ever hear of anyone marrying a man?"

Prisoner: "Yes, sir; my sister did."

He: "Ah, every morning you are my first thought."

She: "Your brother says the same thing."

He: "Yes, but I'm up a half hour before him."

She, sweetly: "Are you from the north?"

Visitor: "No; why do you ask?"

She: "You dance as if you had snowshoes on!"

"When the rain falls does it ever rise again?"

"Yes—sir—"

"When?"

"Why, in dew time, sir."

Young women at Newcomb College, in New Orleans, according to a writer in Collier's Weekly, were put through an intelligence test and came off badly. Thereupon they challenged the faculty to a similar test, which proved to be sweet revenge.

Some of the answers from a group of 23 professors were:

Al Johnson is a wrestling champion.

Filet mignon is an opera by Puccini.

Benjamin is a preparation that ladies put into their eyes to make them shine.

Grover Cleveland Bergdoll was a World War hero.

Maratino was prime minister of Russia before the war.—The American Campus.

The Philanthropist.

"Hello, is this the Working Girl Home?"

"Yes."

"And do you try to save bad girls?"

"Yes."

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